
Leominster market traders and village volunteers keep Pudleston supplied.

At the start of the lock-down in March 2020, realising that members of the community would be isolating and that all our movements would be limited, we approached the Leominster market traders about making deliveries to the village. The first 18-20 orders arrived on April 9th rising during the next few months to a maximum of 38. Orders have continued throughout the year and will do so until no longer required, providing a lifeline to many older and less able members of the community.

Cherries & Berries deliver fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs on Thursdays. Paul's Fresh Fish and Lee's Cheese (cheese, cooked meats and pies) both deliver together on Friday mornings.

Deliveries are received at the village hall by Rachel and Graham Bailey and the subsequent distribution is carried out by a group of volunteers from within the village. Payments are made either on-line or paid the subsequent week in arrears.

All deliveries are sorted and then collected by the volunteers; Helen Clarke, Linda Fryer, Jane Turvey, Colin and Patricia Patton, Sophie Butler and, from Hatfield Steve Hadley. Masks and gloves are worn throughout and to maintain social distancing access to the hall is limited, with the volunteers remaining with their cars and the boxes being brought to them.

Paul Totney from Cherries and Berries stresses that the size of the order is not important. If someone wants just 2 apples and 2 oranges then he will happily supply them.

I would like to thank all those involved in this venture, suppliers, volunteers and the customers for their continual support and cheerfulness throughout what has been a trying year for all of us.

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